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Prior to initial examination, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims; and

**Remarks.**